## LEGAL NOTICE

## STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Conservation Auditorium, 1st Floor, State Land & Natural Resources Building, 625 North 4th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2001,** upon the application of **BALLARD EXPLORATION COMPANY, INC.** 

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **5000' Zone**, **Reservoir A**, in the North Chalkley Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To establish rules and regulations and create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate, such unit to be designated the 5000 RA SUA.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 3. To designate the Ballard Exploration Company, Inc. Richard No. 1 Well as the unit well for the proposed 5000 RA SUA.
- 4. To designate Ballard Exploration Company, Inc. as the unit operator for the proposed unit.
- 5. To provide that any future wells drilled to the 5000' Zone, Reservoir A, should be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorize to reclassify the 5000' Zone, Reservoir A, by supplemental Order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
- 7. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The 5000' Zone, in the North Chalkley Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 4988' and 5246' (ELM) in the Ballard Exploration - Richard No. 1 Well, located in Section 31, Township 11 South, Range 6 West.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Lafayette**, Louisiana. All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

## BY ORDER OF:

## PHILIP N. ASPRODITES COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 4/12/01;4/17/01

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IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT <u>DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES</u>, <u>PERSONNEL SECTION</u> AT P.O. BOX 94396, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9396 IN WRITING OR BY TELEPHONE (225) 342-2134 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. AND 4:30 P.M., MONDAY THRU FRIDAY WITHIN

TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.